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Subject: Re: 3 Parts re Methanol Letter 1) draft response to Maria Hegsted, 2) my call with George Cruzan, and 3) J Gift evaluation re Methanol Institute Letter

Lynn,

The response to Maria is due this morning by 10, and it sounds like you're out now. Do others have a view on the response to Maria? (at bottom of this email string)

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Thoughts?

I'm in PM meeting at 10 and before then there is a GEMS meeting.

John

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From: John Vandenberg
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To: Lynn Flowers
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Subject: Fw: 3 Parts re Methanol Letter 1) draft response to Maria Hegsted, 2) my call with George Cruzan, and 3) J Gift evaluation re Methanol Institute Letter
FYI - nothing big here.

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John et al.,

These are the only papers out of that U. of Toronto lab that I am aware of. Note that the 2011 paper deals with mutagenicity of methanol, not developmental toxicity and the 2010 paper basically concluded that rabbits might be a more useful model than rodents for assessing the developmental toxicity of methanol. Neither paper seems critical to the assessment, but both should and will be assessed at peer review.

[attachment "McCallum2011.pdf" deleted by Lynn Flowers/DC/USEPA/US]

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FYI and Jeff, please note Lynn's comment. Any thoughts on this?

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~~John: Quick work!~~

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any more of these letters!

Lynn

Glad I am going on vacation.....I can't take

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Date: 04/29/2011 11:45 AM
Subject: 3 Parts re Methanol Letter 1) draft response to Maria Hegsted, 2) my call with George Cruzan, and 3) J Gift evaluation re Methanol Institute Letter

I put relevant information together in one email to make it easier to see the parts. Please let me know if any questions, and also need feedback re Part 1.

Part 1)

Audrey sent me this late yesterday. My draft response in Blue. *Let me know of edits, deadline is 10 am Monday*

From: Mollie Lemon/DC/USEPA/US
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Cc: Megan Maguire/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/28/2011 03:55 PM
Subject: ACTION: Inside EPA q's on non-cancer IRIS assessment on methanol (deadline: 10 am 5/2)

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Part 2:

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Part 3:

Email from Jeff Gift to Methanol team providing his take on MI comments;

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Date: 04/29/2011 10:28 AM
Subject: Fw: Methanol Institute Letter on Methanol Noncancer Assessment

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Regards,

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Date: 04/28/2011 04:48 PM
Subject: Methanol Institute Letter on Methanol Noncancer Assessment

Dear Dr. Anastas:

Attached is a letter from the Methanol Institute requesting that you withdraw the noncancer IRIS assessment of methanol from its current public and peer review cycle. In our view, the current assessment is so fundamentally flawed that to proceed with peer review of the document would be meaningless, and in fact, counterproductive to good scientific process. We realize that your office often receives requests to delay or re-do your IRIS assessments, so the attached letter explains why we believe that developments since the initial draft was released in December 2009 fundamentally undermine the core elements of the current assessment and therefore necessitate a re-working NOW of the assessment rather than later after peer review.

We would like to meet with you to discuss this request in more detail, and will call your office in a few days to seek a mutually satisfactory time for such a meeting.

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